

KELSO CITY COUNCIL
7: 00 P.M.

FEBRUARY 1, 2005
REGULAR MEETING

Rev. Tim Conrad, Kelso First Baptist Church, gave the invocation. Mayor Don Gregory led the flag salute. The Regular Meeting of the Kelso City Council was called to order by Mayor Don Gregory. Councilmembers in attendance were: Gregory, Slater, Chester, McDaniel, Wheeler, Keolker, Futcher, and Student Representative Devyn Davis.

Minutes:

Upon Motion by Councilmember McDaniel and seconded by Councilmember Wheeler 'Approve the minutes of the 1/18/05 Regular Meeting with the following correction: Page 3, Line 22, David Futcher should be changed to David Sypher.' Motion carried, all voting yes.

COUNCIL AREA:

Mayor Gregory noted Councilmember David Futcher will represent Area 5 in West Kelso, former Councilmember Kathleen Johnson's area.

PROCLAMATION:

Mayor Gregory read a Proclamation declaring the week of February 21 to 25, 2005, as **Rotary International Week** in Kelso. Councilmember David Futcher, who is the President of Kelso Rotary, accepted the proclamation and thanked the City for their support.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE:

Devyn Davis: 1) Today is the first day of the 2nd semester. 2) Spirit Week begins this week. We have a different theme every day and dress accordingly. 3) Girls basketball is doing very well. Our last home game is Monday night with Columbia River. It's Senior Night and we have 9 seniors. 4) Our Canned Food Drive was a success. We received around 700 cans of food which were donated to Community House. 5) We are in process of making an informative DVD for the middle school students to acquaint them with the high school.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Liquor License Special Occasion: Kelso-Longview Ladies Auxiliary of Elks. Upon Motion by Councilmember Wheeler and seconded by Councilmember Keolker, 'Approve the Consent Agenda,' motion carried, all voting yes.

MOTION ITEMS:

Ordinance No. 05-3561 – Amending Definitions of Mains: The City Clerk read the proposed Ordinance by title only. Upon Motion by Councilmember Chester and seconded by Councilmember Keolker, 'Adopt Ordinance No. 05-3561 'AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KELSO AMENDING SECTION 1 OF ORDINANCE NO. 3055, CODIFIED AS KMC 13.04.020 (15), AMENDING THE DEFINITION OF MAINS,' motion carried, all voting yes.

City of Kelso Janitorial Service Contract Approval with Action Building Services, Inc.: Public Works Director David Sypher explained some areas of the contract. Further discussion followed. Upon Motion by Councilmember Fletcher and seconded by Councilmember Keolker, 'Award contract with Action Building Services, Inc., contingent on their successful employee background investigations.' Motion carried, all voting yes.

Set Public Hearing to Allocate 2005 HOME Funding: Set for Tuesday, April 19, 2005.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Doug Robinson: 1) Received from Al Slater an application for reappointment to the Solid Waste Advisory Board. 2) We have an Invitation for the Cowlitz/Wahkiakum Council of Governments Annual Dinner Thursday, February 17, 2005. Rob McKenna, newly elected Washington State Attorney General, will be the speaker. Let me know if you plan to attend. 3) I have handed out The Association of Washington Cities Report. 4) I encourage you to attend the Legislative Conference in Olympia which is coming up soon. Let me know if you are interested.

STAFF REPORTS:

Paul Brachvogel: No Report.

Kent Anderson: I want to make you aware we sent out notifications of code violations the last of January.

David Sypher: 1) Staff has done an excellent job hanging the Yesler Window and setting up the new staff tables in the Council Chambers. City Manager Doug Robinson congratulated David for all his hard work. 2) Councilmember Wheeler asked when the additional street lights would be turned on. David Sypher indicated 4 ballasts are on order and should be here soon. 3) Councilmember Wheeler asked about the hours at the Kelso Train Station. David reported the hours have stayed the same and Metro Watch has been hired to lock the Depot each night. 4) Councilmember McDaniel was concerned that construction of the Rister Stadium at Tam O'Shanter Park would affect

parking during the upcoming baseball season. City Manager Robinson said the new 500-seat stadium and field should be finished in time for spring training. It was suggested that Nelson Graham, Project Manager, give a report to Council soon.

Geraldine Veenstra: Cold and flu season is here. We haven't all had the flu at the same time.

Wayne Nelson: 1) We are close to a conclusion concerning the abandoned shopping kart issue. 2 Last night at 1:00 a.m. Sergeant Joe Dieter completed his 30th year of service as a Kelso Police Officer. Joe has a high level of professionalism. He gave his unofficial retirement date as the end of June. Mayor Gregory congratulated Sergeant Dieter.

Veryl Anderson: No Report.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Todd McDaniel: No Report.

David Futcher: No Report.

Mark Chester: No Report.

Joe Wheeler: No Report.

Al Slater: No Report.

Jack Keolker: 1) February 4 CAP will hold a fund raiser called "Have a Hart" to raise money to help people who are out of work. The event will be held at the Cowlitz Regional Conference Event Center at 6:00 p.m. and the cost is \$50. Last year \$22,000 was raised. I encourage Councilmembers to attend.

Don Gregory: No Report.

Upon Motion by Councilmember Keolker and seconded by Councilmember Futcher, 'Move to Adjourn,' motion carried, all voting yes. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK

